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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Tomochika MURAKAMI)
Application No.: 10/600,533)
Filed: June 23, 2003)
For: IMAGE PROCESSING) September 3, 2003
APPARATUS AND METHOD,)
COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND)
COMPUTER-READABLE)
STORAGE MEDIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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10/600,532	June 23, 2003	Tomochika Murakami
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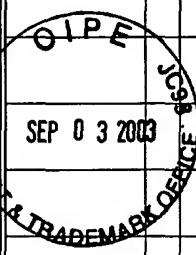
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